



## Biography

Wycliffe Gordon experiences an impressive career touring the world performing to great acclaim from audiences and critics alike.

Jazz Journalists Association named him “Trombonist of the Year” for the 10<sup>th</sup> time in 2017, and Downbeat Critics Poll named Wycliffe “Best Trombone” for four years, (2016, 2014, 2013 & 2012). Most recently Wycliffe received the “Louie Award” honoring his dedication and commitment to the music of Louis Armstrong, and received the International Trombone Association Award in 2017, which recognizes the highest level of creative and artistic achievement. In 2015, Wycliffe was presented the *Satchmo* award from the Sarasota Jazz Club, received the *Louis Armstrong Memorial Prize* presented by the Swing Jazz Culture Foundation, and was named *Artist of the Year* (2015) by the Augusta Arts Council. He is also a past recipient of the ASCAP Foundation Vanguard Award, among others.

In addition to an extremely successful solo career, Gordon tours regularly leading his quintet known as *Wycliffe Gordon and His International All-Stars*, headlining at legendary jazz venues and performing arts centers throughout the world. He is commissioned frequently, and has an extensive catalog of original compositions that span the various timbres of jazz and chamber music. Musicians and ensembles of every caliber perform his music throughout the world and his arrangement of the theme song to NPR’s “All Things Considered” is heard daily across the globe.

Gordon is a former veteran member of the Wynton Marsalis Septet, the Lincoln Center Jazz Orchestra and has been a featured guest artist on Billy Taylor's "Jazz at the Kennedy Center" Series. Gordon is also one of America’s most persuasive and committed music educators, and currently serves as Artist-in-Residence at Augusta University in Augusta, GA.

Wycliffe Gordon is a Yamaha Performing Artist and has his own line of Wycliffe Gordon Pro Signature Mouthpieces by Pickett Brass. Visit [www.wycliffegordon.com](http://www.wycliffegordon.com).